

School Donations

Firstly, thank you to parents who have already paid the school donation.

Why do we need donations?

Schools in New Zealand are funded on a per-pupil basis. This is a set figure across the country, regardless of what area you live in. This gives us our budget to run the school, including the cost of office staff, administration, some teacher aides and a caretaker, as well as paying for heat, power, light and water. **The amount funded by the Government is significantly less than the actual cost of running our school. Currently our International learners have halved in numbers which has also impacted on our learning programmes.**

To continue to run our school at the expected level we need your help!!

The donation requested by the school is \$370 per pupil, this is less than \$10 per week! If all families paid the school donations this would significantly improve the resources we can provide on a day to day basis and ensure the Intermediate years provide more opportunities for our learners to explore their potential before High School. Examples are:

- teachers to run extension learning programmes
- in-class teacher aide support
- extra teacher support with reading and maths
- Subscriptions to online learning programmes
- Specialist resources - food, science, hard materials, art supplies
- additional resources for learning, technology and sport
- Consumables - paper, toilet paper and soap, tissues, first aid supplies, classroom activities, printing
- activities and equipment,

In addition to this, we also ask for a **learning activity donation for the year of \$140**. We refer to this as School Wide Costs (SWC). This payment covers all the crucial things in our learning programme directly related to your child. This donation covers online subscriptions, visiting performance groups and class sports coaching, school trips during the year, Swimmings Sports, Athletics Day, Prizegiving and the End of Year Picnic.

We would like to continue to offer the same level of education, experience and opportunity as we have in the past. To do this we need your help.

A huge thank you in advance from the Board, Leadership Team, staff and in particular, our learners, who all really appreciate your contribution to continue to make TNIS the fantastic school that it is.

Yours sincerely
Board of Trustees

Note: please contact the Principal wsandifer@tnis.school.nz if you would like further information.